



*St Ignatius Church  
Kensington Terrace, Toowong*



*Holy Spirit Church  
Harriett Street, Auchenflower*



# St Ignatius Parish TOOWONG

**2nd Sunday Lent  
Year A**



**5th March 2023**

## **A Legend of the Flowers**

After Baiame, the god of creation, had left the earth and gone to his sacred Oobi Oobi mountain, the flowers he had left behind withered and died, and nothing grew in their place. The earth was bare and desolate and soon flowers became merely a legend which the old people passed on to the young ones.

When the flowers went, so too did the bees. The women would take out their bark dishes to fill with honey but they always returned with them empty. There were bees still living and working on earth but only in three sacred trees which Baiame had claimed as his own and the people did not dare go near these. The children cried because they wanted honey, and the mothers were upset because they could not give it to them, for the wise old men of the tribes would not let them touch Baiame's sacred trees.

The spirit who saw everything told Baiame how the people longed for honey and yet would not touch his trees, and Baiame was pleased. He decided to give them food as sweet as the honey which they loved. Soon white sugary specks appeared on the gum leaves and sweet juice began running down the tree trunks and hardening into lumps which the children could gather. The people were happy and their craving for rich food was satisfied.

But the wise old men were far from satisfied. They longed to see the flowers growing again, and so determined were they that, without telling the people of their tribes where they were going, they set out to find Baiame to ask him to make the earth beautiful with flowers once more.

They journeyed on for many days until at last they came to the foot of the sacred Oobi Oobi mountain, towering so far above them that its top was lost in the clouds. At first the sides seemed too steep to climb but eventually they found a foothold, and then another, and then another until, looking up, they saw a ladder cut into the mountain reaching as far as they could see. Up they went climbing one day, two days, three days until, at last, on the fourth day, they reached the top, completely exhausted.

They looked around and saw a spring of water from which they drank eagerly and at once their weariness left them. Suddenly, they heard the sound of a bull-roarer or spirit asking them why they had come.

They told him how dreary the earth had looked since Baiame had left, how the flowers had all died and had not bloomed again and, although they had the sweet tree juice in place of honey, they longed for the flowers to make the earth bright once more.

The spirit ordered his attendants to lift the wise old men up into their sky-camp, which is a resting place in the sky where flowers neither fade nor die. Here they could gather as many as they could hold in their arms and the spirits would lift them back onto the top of the mountain so that they could return to earth. Just as the spirit had said, the wise old men were lifted up through an opening in the sky and set down in a land of exquisite beauty with flowers blooming everywhere, massed together in brilliant colours like hundreds of rainbows laid out on the grass. The old men were so overcome that they wept with joy. But they soon remembered why they were there and they gathered as many of the lovely blooms as their arms could hold. And they heard the spirit voice saying, "Tell the people that the earth will never be without flowers again. Different winds will bring them in every season, and the east wind will bring them in profusion and there will be blossoms on every tree and shrub.

The wise old men took the flowers and went down the stone ladder to the camps of their people. The people flocked around them and they told of the promise made by Baiame, through his messenger. And the people scattered the flowers far and wide, over the tree-tops and over the plains and ridges and, wherever they fell, they have grown ever since. The place they were first scattered is called Girraween, the place of flowers, and the earth was covered with cool grass and flowers as when Baiame, god of creation, walked on it.

*J. Dore*

**PARISH WEEKDAY MASSES: HOLY SPIRIT Auchenflower: 9am Mondays and Fridays.  
ST IGNATIUS Toowong: 5.30pm Tuesdays & Wednesdays & 9.15am Thursdays.**

**PARISH WEEKEND MASSES: HOLY SPIRIT Auchenflower: Sunday 8.30am.  
ST IGNATIUS Toowong: Saturday 6.00pm Vigil and Sunday 7.00am & 5.00pm.  
Nb. RECONCILIATION remains suspended until further notice.**

*We respectfully acknowledge the Turrbal people, as the traditional owners and caretakers of the land which is the Toowong Catholic Parish.  
We acknowledge the Elders, past and present. May we, too, be good stewards of this land.*

## PARISH INFORMATION



### ST IGNATIUS PEACE THROUGH JUSTICE GROUP

is pleased to organise a special ecological-themed  
**Stations of the Cross for Lent.**

Everyone is welcome to come. Volunteers to narrate and carry the cross will be welcomed.

To be held after Mass:

\***Mondays 6 and 13 March**, 9.30am at Holy Spirit Church &  
\***Wednesdays 8 and 15 March**, 6pm at St Ignatius Church

NB. We will be utilising resource amalgamated from several Laudato Si based Stations.

Copies will be provided / available at the church or view same via 'post' on parish website.

### PARISH LENTEN PROGRAMME.

Our Parish Lenten six-week programme commenced on **Ash Wednesday**. We will once again be using the Archdiocese's Lenten Programme. 2023 programme is entitled "*From Ashes to Hope*".

This booklet contains daily reflections for Lent, Holy Week and to the Second Sunday of Easter.

Dates for the Parish's two sessions are

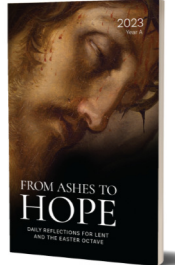
**Wednesday evenings during Lent**  
(22 February, 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 March),  
from 7—8pm in the Horstmann Room  
(Parish Office),

and

**Friday mornings during Lent**  
(24 February, 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 March),  
following 9am Mass at Holy Spirit Church.

A Lenten booklet will be available to participants free of charge (RRP \$5.00).

Please ensure you sign-up via the clipboards available at the back of both churches or email Parish Office  
[toowong@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:toowong@bne.catholic.net.au) to register. Thank you.



### PARISH SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMME 2023— SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (FIRST RECONCILIATION)



The children enrolled in this parish programme attended a 'Rite of Enrolment' at parish Masses last weekend.

\***Reminder** to parent and child,  
Fr Wrex will be holding 3 sessions on  
following dates (to prepare children):

**First Session:** This Sunday (5 March) at 3pm  
at Holy Spirit Church, and

**REPEATED** on **Tuesday 7 March** after 5.30pm Mass  
in Parish Hall (below St Ignatius Church).

**Second Session:** Next Sunday 12 March at 3pm  
at Holy Spirit Church, and

**REPEATED** on **Tuesday 14 March** after 5.30pm Mass  
in Parish Hall.

**Third Session** (both) will be held at St Ignatius Church,  
on **Sunday 19 March** at 3pm, and

**REPEATED** on **Tuesday 21 March** after 5.30pm Mass.

**Celebration of the Sacrament of Penance**  
will be held during week of **March 26—April 1**  
(for enrolled children).

~ Parishioners are asked to please pray for these children  
and their families during this time. ~

### ST IGNATIUS PRIMARY SCHOOL INFORMATION

We have two upcoming opportunities for us to showcase our school to interested parents.

**Open Day ~ Tuesday March 7 – 9am – 10:30am**

**Twilight Tours ~ Wednesday May 3 – 5pm – 6:30pm**

On these occasions you will tour our school led by staff or our student leaders and have an opportunity to learn about what St Ignatius has to offer your family. Children are welcome to join the tours as it gives them a taste of what school at St Ignatius is all about.

We look forward to discussing the many opportunities that we provide to help your child thrive and connect with community. Follow the link <https://forms.office.com/r/stNXTsZ9FT> or scan QR code to register your interest to attend one or both events.

**OPEN  
DAY**

**Tue 7 March  
9-10:30am**



**CELEBRATING  
120  
YEARS**



**Scan here to RSVP >>>**



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**Where to find YOUTUBE on Parish's new website** (top of screen) select '**Our Parish**' & (from drop-down list) select '**Parish YouTube Recordings**' click on it & it will take you to the Parish's YouTube page (or alternatively scroll down page to the blue footer along bottom and click on the 'arrow' icon, which will take you to the Parish's YouTube page), from there you can select to stream Sunday 5pm Mass or view other parish recordings.

**Readings: 2nd Sunday Lent:** Genesis 12:1-4. 2 Timothy 1:8-10. Matthew 17:1-9.

**Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday Lent:** Exodus 17:3-7. Romans 5:1-2, 5-8. John 4:5-42.

**Entrance Antiphon:** Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

**Spoken Response:** Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

**Sung Response:** A Trusting Psalm.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son in whom hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

## Your Prayers Are Requested For *All Parishioners & friends who are sick & in need*

**SICK:** Maria Duque, Susi Rieder, Pat Clohessy, Peter Lawson, Ricardo Pacheco, Louis Nunan, Elvira Pertudo, Mia O'Donnell, Betty Andrews, Elizabeth Teresa, Tandina Gabriel, Cathy Mamata, Margaret Twomey, Melissa Acosta, Doreen Waller, Lyndal & Grant Mitchell, Matthew McKay, Fran Lewis, Nina Starkey, Sr Marie Patrice rsm, Judy Hijin, Yohanna Suharni, John O'Rourke, Marianne Andrews, Glenice Dickinson, Hannah Sinead, Ronald George Herrick, Susi Hopkins, Leigh Victoria, Teresa Galarza, Adriana Meneses, Paul Massingham, Fr Michael Lowcock, Isabella Shand, David O'Connor, Peter Anthony, Darrin Edkins, Liam O'Brien, Marie O'Sullivan, Glenice Dickinson, Denise Dimauro, Allison King, Gabrielle Emery-Reece.



**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Elio Socal, Lola Johnson, Catherine Heenan.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Margaret Flamsteed, Beverley Lafferty, Eion O'Kelly, Peter Forster, Clare Watts, Anne Maree Charman, Mary-Louise (Louie) Doyle, William John (Bill) Nicholson.

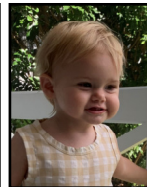
### BAPTISMS:

Randall Ryan,  
Freya Petrie,  
Arabella Creagh.



### A Baptismal Prayer

Heavenly Father, In your love you have called us to know you,  
led us to trust you, and bound our life with yours.  
Surround this child with your love, protect it from evil.  
Fill it with the holy spirit and receive it into the family of your church,  
that it may walk with us in the way of Christ, and grow in the  
knowledge of your love.



## Diary Dates March

- 4-5** 'Expect-a-cuppa' after all Masses—  
St Ignatius Church
- 5** 2nd Sunday Lent  
Baptisms: 10.30am—St Ignatius  
3pm Sacrament of Penance: First  
Session (parent & child) - Holy Spirit
- 6** 9.30am Stations of the Cross for  
Lent —Holy Spirit  
7.30pm St Ignatius Peace Through  
Justice Group meeting—  
Horstmann Room
- 7** 9—10.30am Open Day—  
St Ignatius Primary School  
Sacrament of Penance: 1st Session  
(parent & child) after 5.30pm Mass  
- Parish Hall
- 8** 6pm Stations of the Cross for Lent  
—St Ignatius  
6.30pm RCIA meeting  
7pm Lenten Session #3—  
Horstmann Room

## PARISH INFORMATION

**PARISH COLLECTIONS:** \$3,632.25, Other: nil.



### THE COLOUR CLUB.

Parish Lenten activities for young people of all ages  
(primary and secondary) will be offered during  
Children's Liturgy **each Sunday during Lent** at 8.30am  
Mass at Holy Spirit Church, Auchenflower.  
We encourage young people to attend any  
or all of these sessions.

**EXPECT-A-CUPPA (ST IGNATIUS)** will be held **this weekend** (4—5 March) after all Masses.  
Parishioners and visitors are invited to stay after Mass for a cup of tea or coffee.

**PARISH RCIA.** This Sunday (5 March) we welcome our parish's catechumens journey-  
ing in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, to 8.30am Mass at Holy Spirit Church,  
for Presentation of the Creed.

~ Parishioners are asked to please pray for candidates during this time as they each  
prepare to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church this Easter.

**INVITATION TO ATTEND CONCERT** by St. Laurence's College Old Boys and Community  
Choirs including Old Boys Guitar & Strings. Performance will be held at St Ignatius  
Church on **Monday 13 March** at 7—8.30pm. Entry is free. Cashless collection will be  
available to support the Jesuit school in Myanmar.

**PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE.** Search *St-Ignatius-Parish-Toowong* and click *Like* to follow.

### DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

#### 2nd Week Lent (1)



#### 1st Reading Gospel

Mon: Daniel 9:4-10. Luke 6:36-38.  
Tues: Isaiah 1:10, 16-20. Matt. 23:1-12.  
Wed: Jeremiah 18:18-20. Matt. 20:17-28  
Thu: Jeremiah 17:5-10. Luke 16:19-31.  
Fri: Genesis 37:3-41 12-13, 17-28.  
Matt. 21:33-43, 45-46.  
Sat: Micah 7:14-15, 18-20. Luke 15:1-3, 11-32.

### PLEASE NOTE:

PARISH OFFICE will be CLOSED on  
Mondays until further notice.

### Please note:

Any inclusions for the Parish newsletter  
should be marked to the attention of  
Parish Secretary & received, by email or  
note, at Parish Office no later than  
12noon Thursdays. Thank you.



### Second Sunday of Lent 4 & 5 March 2023



Tereesa is a Gamilaroi woman from Western Sydney who struggled with homelessness while  
raising her four children. Through the Baabayn Young Mums and Bubs Group, Tereesa was able  
to reconnect with her culture and create a better future for her children.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges  
today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**



You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and  
envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/  
project-compassion](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion), or by calling 1800 024 413.

## THE CATHOLIC LEADER

Limited copies of **MARCH edition**  
will be available at both churches for **\$4 each**  
(please place your payment in money-box provided).

**PARISH WEBSITE,** <https://www.stignatiustooowong.org.au/>, provides links to:

\***READ** Parish's weekly editions of Newsletter & E-news (which include the Sunday readings and Fr Wrex's latest homily) plus

\***VIEW** Parish's YouTube, [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLghy4aXqqJRrUliXpjoSA?view\\_as=subscriber](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLghy4aXqqJRrUliXpjoSA?view_as=subscriber), to

**STREAM 5PM SUNDAY MASS** from St Ignatius Church each Sunday (or watch previous MASS OR EVENT RECORDINGS).

**ARCHDIOCESAN LINKS:** \***WATCH MASS** live from St Stephen's Cathedral, Brisbane (8am Weekdays, 8am & 10am Sundays) go to  
<http://archbne.org/bzw> \***View '2 MINUTE HOMILIES'** for Sunday's Gospel (featuring clergy from parishes around Archdiocese of Brisbane).





## National Liturgy & Liturgical Music Conference

We are looking forward to welcoming international keynote presenters Sarah Hart, one of

the leading figures in contemporary Catholic music, and Dr Timothy O'Malley, professor of liturgical-sacramental theology and academic director of the Notre Dame Centre for Liturgy (USA). These international guests will be joined by acclaimed local presenters: Rev Dr Tom Elich, liturgist and Director of Liturgy Brisbane, and Dr Maeve Louise Heaney VDMF, theologian and composer.

In addition to these keynote presentations, there will be more than 50 workshops on offer across the three days.

We encourage you to make the most of this unique opportunity to learn from and be inspired by expert liturgical musicians, liturgists and educators, and to create networks with other people from around the country.

The full program of keynotes and workshops can be viewed on the Conference Website at <https://mysteryandmission.com.au> (A PDF version of the workshops on offer is available to assist with making your selections).

Registration is now open via the website. An Early bird discount will apply to those registrations received by **30 April 2023**. We look forward to seeing you in Brisbane in September!



## ST LAURENCE'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS CONCERT

MONDAY 13 MARCH 2023  
7.00pm - 8.30pm

ST IGNATIUS CHURCH  
Kensington Terrace, Toowong

The Concert will include performance from the Community Choir, Old Boys Strings, Old Boys Guitar, Old Boys Choir

Cashless collection will be available for the Jesuit school in Myanmar



### OUR MISSION PRAYER

*We, the St Ignatius community, are called to live the good news.  
We pray that we become the people that Jesus Christ called us to be.  
We pray that we know the Father, by the power of the Holy Spirit  
through knowing Jesus in prayer, scripture and liturgy.*

*We pray that we give hope to others by a practical, personal kindness,  
affirming each person's dignity, worth and destiny in Christ. May we live out this mission of our  
Christian vocation in the spirit of St. Ignatius.*



**The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.**

**Archdiocese of Brisbane's Office for Safeguarding -**  
<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/support/safeguard/>  
**Privacy Policy -**  
<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/privacy-policy>

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**When making out your will please consider the needs of the parish.**

**Parish WEBSITE** [www.stignatiustoowong.org.au](http://www.stignatiustoowong.org.au) **Current Newsletter now on our website!**

### PARISH OFFICE INFORMATION

**Parish Office Hours:** Monday\* to Friday 10am—3pm (\* closed on Mondays until further notice)

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**Website:** [www.stignatiustoowong.org.au](http://www.stignatiustoowong.org.au)

**Facebook:** St-Ignatius-Parish-Toowong

**Instagram:** st.iggysouth

We are part of the Brisbane West Deanery ~ website: [www.brisbanewestdeanery.com.au](http://www.brisbanewestdeanery.com.au) email: [bwdeanery@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:bwdeanery@bne.catholic.net.au)

**Emergency Contact** If you require a priest in an emergency, please phone the parish priest on 0402 049 017.



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PARISH PRIEST

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#### Parish Office Staff

Monica Florence (Tues-Fri)

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(including Newsletter)

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